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FORTY-THIRD YEAR.

## MANY NEW MEASURES WERE INTRODUCED

### Legislators, Anticipating Closing Of Session, Are Getting Busy. Legislative Summary

(By Journal-Miner Staff Correspondent.)

PHOENIX, Ariz., March 11.—That the end of the Legislative session is anticipated by members of both Houses is manifest by resolutions adopted today, one providing that in future none but members may address either House on pending measures. It is likely that next sessions will begin Wednesday, and from then until the end of the session work will proceed without delay.

In the House, Hampton amended the high license measure by offering a new bill reenacting the former bill, now in the hands of the governor, making the date the bill becomes effective July 1. The liquor selling law was further touched by the Legislature when in the Council that body passed a bill making a majority vote all that is necessary to prohibit in any local option district. The balance of the session today was taken up with new bills, this being the last day for their introduction, under a rule adopted Saturday.

New bills were introduced today as follows:

By Williams—Limiting the time trains may occupy street crossings.

By Bail—Memorializing Congress for appropriation for San Xavier mission.

By Bell—Memorializing Congress legalizing outstanding city warrants of Phoenix.

By Roemer—Repeal of primary election law.

By Cleveland—Creating bridge commission and providing for construction of bridge across Gila river, in Graham county; enacting Colorado election primary law for Arizona; inspection of logs.

By Whitesides—Tablet for Sam Hought in Gila county court house.

By Bailey—Relating to fire insurance.

By Crenshaw—Prohibiting shooting on closed grounds where cattle are kept.

By Bail—To regulate sale of warehouse certificates for whiskey.

By Burke—For the relief of D. J. Sullivan, late assessor of Yavapai county, for employment of deputies.

By Whitesides—Relating to brands run in Mexico and Arizona.

By Burke—Relief of Tom Malloy.

By Davidson—Salary of deputy assessor.

By O'Neill—To protect the public from sale of products of diseased dairy stock.

By Weed—Fixing salary of county recorder.

By McIntyre—Fixing salary of county recorder.

By O'Neill—Anti-treating law.

By Blakely—Concerning attachments; prohibiting sale of liquor within one mile of an educational institution.

The Council passed the juvenile court bill and the bill preventing steer tying contests, but failed to pass the Blakely total prohibition bill by a vote of 4 ayes, 8 nays.

An interesting measure is proposed by Hunt to make county officers' term four years instead of two.

Deputy Sheriff Neagle and sheriffs from all parts of the Territory are here favoring the enactment of the bill, which, if enacted, will give the present incumbents an additional two years.

The House passed the bill making widows' exemptions possible only for residents of this Territory. The bill changing railroad crossing signs and the bill appropriating \$7,500 for a school house at Clifton, to replace the one destroyed in the recent flood, was also passed.

The governor will send his decision regarding the Dornan substitute mine tax bill to the Council tomorrow. Most of his message was prepared today but not in time for transmission to the House, from which the much-talked of bill emanated.

The Eli Perkins bill, introduced by Hoger, changing the law so that county printing contracts should be given to the lowest bidder instead of the best bidder, was indefinitely postponed. Two others bills of Perkins' have also been killed.

The bill raising the salaries of deputy recorders is before a conference committee, but the proposed amendment only affects small counties.

## DO LOCAL CITIZENS WANT PENITENTIARY?

(By Journal-Miner Staff Correspondent.)

PHOENIX, Ariz., March 11.—At the invitation of Chairman Morrison, the Prison Site commission will visit Prescott tomorrow, arriving on the morning train.

They will breakfast at the Burke hotel and will then be taken for a drive around the city for a couple of hours. They will then take the southbound train to Kirkland, to visit the tufa quarry and vicinity. They will tarry there until the arrival of the northbound train and will then proceed on it to Del Rio. A special engine and coach will return them to Prescott in the evening, when they will be banqueted at the Yavapai Club.

If the citizens of Prescott want the branch prison established in Yavapai county, tomorrow is their opportunity to get busy and make a definite proposition to the commission.

## JEROME NO MATCH FOR THAW LAWYER

### Latter's Objections, Sustained In Nearly Every Instance, The Feature of the Day

NEW YORK, March 11.—On the first day of the state's case in rebuttal at the Thaw trial today Jerome came to a temporary standstill against the rules of evidence built around the story of Evelyn Nesbit Thaw.

Jerome began to attack her story this morning, which was objected to by Delmas. Justice Fitzgerald ruled that young Mrs. Thaw's story was admissible only in tending to show the effect it might have in unbalancing the defendant's mind, and that the truth or falsity of the story was immaterial.

Jerome tried to evade this rule. He said that he was trying to prove that she never had told the story to her husband. It is said Jerome will try to prove an alibi for White the night it is alleged he mistreated Miss Nesbit, though he will doubtless be blocked in the same way.

Jerome called ten witnesses to the tragedy to testify that Thaw seemed rational the night he shot White, but little real headway was made, as nine-tenths of the day's session was occupied in arguments, in which in nearly every case Delmas' objections were sustained.

Jerome's first witness was Fred W. Longfellow, formerly an attorney for Thaw, and he was asked about the case of Ethel Thomas, who, it is said, was the girl tied to a bedpost and whipped by Thaw. The evidence was objected to and ruled out by Fitzgerald. He was then shown a photograph of the affidavit it is alleged Evelyn Nesbit signed, accusing Thaw of ill-treating her. Longfellow said Mrs. Thaw turned over certain papers to him to which she had subscribed her name. He finally said she never had shown him a paper similar to the affidavit in any way.

Jerome called Dr. Rudolph Witthaus, a chemist and expert on poisons, and asked him if any known poison could cause any insensibility in two minutes, or permit such quick recovery of sense as Mrs. Thaw said had been administered to her in the Twenty-fourth street house.

Argument centered about this question for an hour, Delmas' objection finally being sustained.

Jerome called James Clinch Smith, brother-in-law of White. His testimony was objected to, and the objection taken under consideration until tomorrow, when court adjourned.

## RUEF GETS BIG STICK NO HABEAS CORPUS STOPS THE SOLONS

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., March 11.—Today was most eventful, and for the defense, the most disastrous day thus far in the prosecution of the alleged municipal grafters of San Francisco. The supreme court of California denied Ruef's application for a writ of prohibition to restrain Judge Dunne from proceeding to try him, Judge De Haven, in the United States district court, refused Ruef's petition for a writ of habeas corpus and denied him the right to appeal from this decision.

Mayor Schmitz demanded a separate trial and his case was set for tomorrow morning, to follow Ruef's. Ruef was brought to Judge Dunne's court this morning. The officers in charge of him had literally to force their way through the immense crowd that had collected. Henny opened the case by moving Judge Dunne to set aside the action of Judge Hebbard on which Ruef took his appeal to the supreme court of the United States for the purpose of suspending trial by Judge Dunne. After two hours of heated debate by counsel his motion was taken under consideration and the trial adjourned until 10 o'clock tomorrow.

Ruef's counsel filed an affidavit of bias against Judge Dunne and announced that tomorrow they will ask for a change of trial judges. Ruef accompanied by his attorneys, appeared before Judge De Haven late in the day, in defense of the application for a writ of habeas corpus. Henny read an affidavit by himself in opposition to Ruef's contention that he is in custody unlawfully. Judge De Haven in denying the writ, said it need not be accepted as final, as they could appeal to two other federal courts.

## MACHINISTS WILL DEMAND MORE PAY

PITTSBURG, Pa., March 11.—Delegates representing the machinists' unions of western Pennsylvania, West Virginia and eastern Ohio assembled in conference at the Hotel Griswold today in response to a call recently issued by the district council of the International Association of Machinists. The purpose of the conference as set forth in the call, is merely to lay plans for a closer organization of the craft.

It is believed, however, that in reality this is but a step preliminary to a general demand to be made by the machinists for increased pay and better working conditions after May 1. The local machinists already have decided to present an ultimatum to employers for a minimum rate of 40 cents an hour and a 50-hour week and it is probable that the example will be followed by the locals throughout this section.

## GRAND JURY IS AFTER THE LOBBYISTS

SACRAMENTO, Cal., March 11.—The grand jury of Sacramento has under investigation the means and methods alleged to have been used in securing the passage of the capitol removal bill in the Legislature and tonight examined three Assemblymen as to whether coercion or intimidation was used by lobbyists in trying to get votes for the measure.

This action is based on the alleged statement by Drew that he was approached by George F. Hutton on three occasions and declared that Hutton said he would have the Fresno county division bill killed in the Senate if Drew supported the Capitol removal bill.

Assemblymen Drew, Devlin, Chandler and McGuire appeared before the grand jury and were closely questioned. McGuire will appear tomorrow morning and it is understood several other legislators will be subpoenaed tomorrow.

### MESSANGER MISSING.

NEW YORK, March 11.—William O. Gillespie, messenger and collector of the National Park bank, has been missing with about \$500,000 of the bank funds since Tuesday, so it was officially stated today.

### METAL MARKETS.

NEW YORK, March 11.—Lake, 25% to 25 1/2%.

Electrolytic, 25 1/2% to 25 3/4%.

Casting, 24% to 24 1/2%.

Silver, 69.

## RAILROAD OFFICIALS SHOW THEIR TEETH

OMAHA, Neb., March 11.—In retaliation for adverse legislation, culminating in the passage of a 2-cent per mile passenger fare bill by the Nebraska Legislature, and which went into effect today, all Nebraska railroads, including the Union Pacific, Burlington, Northwestern, Missouri Pacific, Rock Island and Great Northern, issued circulars today absolutely abolishing all classes of reduced fares.

The circular calls attention to the fact that it is the purpose to make the 2-cent rate the only possible rate to apply on Nebraska passenger fares.

## GREEKS IN ADENY MERRY PANIC LOSE LIVES WAS DRIVEN OUT

REDDING, Cal., March 11.—Fifteen Greeks lost their lives in a treacherous pit in the river this afternoon. The men were all employed in construction crews on the Sacramento Valley & Eastern railroad. Nineteen men, besides the ferryman, and an Indian, and the foreman of the crew, Chas. O'Neill, started across the river on the new ferryboat of the company. When they reached the center of the river, the Greeks, for some unknown reason, bunched in one end of the 24-foot boat, which caused the boat to rise on end, and the men were thrown back. They then rushed to the other end. One fell overboard, frightening the others. The Greeks became panic-stricken, overbalanced the boat and slid into the river. The ferryman and foreman hung to the boat and were rescued. Two Greeks had presence of mind enough to swim to the nearest shore, but the fifteen others lost their heads completely, and went down. No bodies have been recovered. Tonight the Sacramento is lined with men, dragging for the bodies. The pit in the river has the reputation of never giving up its dead and it is hardly probable any bodies will be recovered unless they drift into the Sacramento and lodge on sand bars. The news caused great excitement in the Greek camp and many hastened from the scene, evidently afraid to remain near as many of their dead.

### OSAGE INDIAN LANDS.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., March 11.—The second drawing for the allotment of the Osage Indian lands was commenced today, the method being the same as that followed at the first drawing, namely, by the aid of a wheel and numbers on the general plan of a lottery drawing. Each Indian is entitled to about 700 acres of land.